

REMARKS

Claims 1-6, 10-18, 22-24, 26, 27, and 29-33 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as obvious over U.S. Patent No. 6,448,873 issued to Mostov in view of U.S. Patent No. 4,888,568 issued to Kawaguchi. Applicants appreciate the Examiner's indication that Claims 36-39 are allowed and that Claims 7, 19, 25 and 28 would be allowable if re-written to overcome rejections under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Applicants have amended Claims 1, 6, 18, 22, 24, 27, 29, 30 and 33, and respectfully request reconsideration of the rejections and full allowance of all pending claims.

Mostov discloses a suspended printed inductor connected in parallel to a suspended printed interdigital capacitor that form a parallel resonant circuit for use in RF filters.

Kawaguchi discloses an LC filter having a capacitor for trimming connected in parallel with at least one of a plurality of inductors.

Claim 1 as amended recites, in part, "a serpentine conductor deposited on the circuit board and having first and second ends, the first end connected to the first pad" and "a tuning capacitance coupled to the second end of the serpentine conductor, the serpentine conductor terminating at the tuning capacitance."

Claim 10 as amended recites, in part, "a capacitor having first and second ends, the first end connected to the first pad and the second end connected to the second pad."

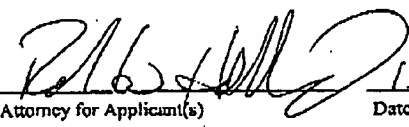
Claim 22 as amended recites, in part, "attaching a discrete capacitor to a printed circuit board (PCB), the discrete capacitor connected at a first end to a power pad and connected at a second end to a reference pad."

Claim 29 as amended recites, in part, "a discrete capacitor having first and second ends, the first end connected to the power pad and the second end connected to the reference pad."

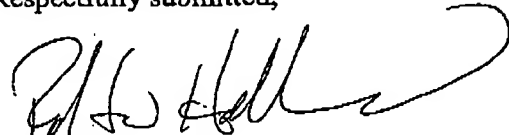
Mostov and Kawaguchi cannot make obvious Claims 1, 10, 22 and 29 because Mostov and Kawaguchi, either taken separately or together, fail to teach, disclose or suggest all elements recited by Applicants' independent Claims 1, 10, 22 and 29. For instance, the capacitive element referenced by the Examiner in Mostov does not "connect" to the first and second pads, such as is recited by Claims 1, 10, 22 and 29. Accordingly, Applicants respectfully submit that all pending claims are allowable and seek issuance of a patent without further delay.

CONCLUSION

In view of the remarks set forth herein, the application is believed to be in condition for allowance and a notice to that effect is solicited. Nonetheless, should any issues remain that might be subject to resolution through a telephonic interview, the examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned.

I hereby certify that this correspondence is being sent to the USPTO via the USPTO Central Facsimile on November 15, 2004.	
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